

Selected National and Railroad Data

Year or month	Index of Industrial Production (1992 = 100)	Consumer Price Index ¹ (1982-84 = 100)		Index of Leading Economic Indicators (1992 = 100)	U.S. Civilian Labor Force (millions) ²		Railroad Labor Force (thousands)			Benefit Payments ⁴ (millions)		Railroad Freight Ton Miles (billions)	Railroad Payrolls (billions)			
		CPI-W	CPI-U		Employed	Unemployed	Employed		Unemployed	RRA	RUIA		Creditable			
							Number	Percent Change ³					RRA ⁵			
													Tier I	Tier II	RUIA	
1987	93	112.5	113.6	100.0	112.4	7.4	320	-6.4	20	6,545	164	948	12.5	11.88	10.50	2.48
1988	97	117.0	118.3	100.3	115.0	6.7	312	-2.5	13	6,740	87	1,000	12.2	11.66	10.28	2.38
1989	99	122.6	124.0	99.6	117.3	6.5	308	-1.3	10	6,984	86	1,003	12.1	11.51	10.26	2.72
1990	99	129.0	130.7	99.2	117.9	6.9	296	-3.9	11	7,258	99	1,035	11.8	11.38	10.22	2.74
1991	97	134.3	136.2	99.0	116.9	8.4	285	-3.7	11	7,569	79	1,039	12.0	11.56	10.33	2.72
1992	100	138.2	140.3	100.0	117.6	9.4	276	-3.2	9	7,747	74	1,064	12.7	11.90	10.57	2.71
1993	104	142.1	144.5	100.5	119.3	8.7	271	-1.8	7	7,899	69	1,107	12.4	11.72	10.49	2.74
1994	109	145.6	148.2	101.4	123.1	8.0	266 ⁶	-1.8	7	8,004	63	1,208	12.5	11.89	10.67	2.79
1995	115	149.8	152.4	100.9	124.9	7.4	265	-0.4	6	8,074	63	1,295	12.6	11.92	10.64	2.77
1996	119	154.2	156.9	102.1	126.7	7.3	257	-3.0	5	8,131	65	1,360	12.8	12.21	10.84	2.74
1997	124	157.6	160.5	103.9	129.6	6.7	252	-1.9	4	8,225	74	1,368				
1997-January	121	156.3	159.1	103.0	126.4	7.9	250	-2.3	8	694	9					
February	122	156.8	159.6	103.4	126.9	7.6	249	-3.1	7	690	9					
March	123	157.0	160.0	103.6	128.1	7.4	248	-3.5	6	691	9	343				
April	123	157.2	160.2	103.5	128.6	6.6	251	-3.1	5	674	7					
May	123	157.2	160.1	103.7	129.6	6.4	254	-2.3	3	684	5					
June	124	157.4	160.3	103.8	130.5	7.1	253	-1.6	2	702	5	339				
July	125	157.5	160.5	104.1	131.4	7.0	253	-1.9	3	680	5					
August	125	157.8	160.8	104.2	130.9	6.6	253	-2.3	3	673	4					
September	126	158.3	161.2	104.4	130.0	6.4	254	-1.6	2	694	5	336				
October	127	158.5	161.6	104.4	130.7	6.0	254	-1.2	3	685	6					
November	127	158.5	161.5	104.5	131.0	5.9	254	-1.2	3	679	4					
December	128	158.2	161.3	104.5	130.8	6.0	254	0.0	3	679	6	350				
1998-January	128	158.4	161.6	104.6	128.9	7.1	254	1.6	5	694	7					
February	128	158.5	161.9	105.0	129.5	6.8	252	1.2	5	692	6					
March	128	158.7	162.2	105.2	130.2	6.8	N/A	N/A	4	690	6	352				

¹ CPI-W based on wage-clerical worker spending patterns, CPI-U on expanded population sample covering all urban consumers.

² Data for 1994 and later is not directly comparable with data for 1993 and earlier years.

³ Increase (+) or decrease (-) from previous year or from same month in previous year.

⁴ 1992-1994 RUIA amounts include payments under Title V of the Emergency Compensation Act of 1991, as amended, which provided extended UI benefits to claimants with less than 10 years of service and additional benefits to those with 10-14 years.

⁵ Tier I and Tier II creditable payrolls, which became effective with the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974, have annual earnings bases. Tier I payroll includes miscellaneous compensation.

⁶ Employment total does not include Soo Line strikers.

NOTE:---Annual labor force figures are averages of 12 mid-month figures. Mid-month employment count is estimated number of employees in active pay status on carrier reporting date, excluding strikers and other employees whose absence from duty is strike-related, and without regard to whether such excluded employees are qualified for or receiving RUIA unemployment benefits. Railroad unemployed represents number claiming benefits in week including the 15th of month. Benefits are net amounts paid during the month and do not necessarily relate to the period in which accrued. RRA benefits include payments from the Dual Benefits Payments Account. Quarterly figures shown opposite last month of quarter. Changes from preceding month's report reflect revisions based on later data.